• Approval of Minutes
  o Approval of Minutes for April 3, 2013
    ▪ Motion to Approve Minutes: Laura
      • Absent: 0
      • Second: April
      • Result: 23 – 0 - 0
        o Yes:
        o No:
        o Abstain:
  • Approval of Funding Requests
    o Emily D: presented budgets
      ▪ BAMF – enough for baking
      ▪ Lit Magazine – we gave them some in the Fall but they would like to print more issues. We want a quote of how much it would cost at the normal quality level. The number of issues was cut from before.
      ▪ NBC – came in for costume requests but didn’t have itemized budget yet
      ▪ SoCA – Cosponsor well attended dance party for heritage week
      ▪ Cap and Bells – ticket sales made less then they thought they would. So need money for their new show. We can fund this in the future, but we’ll talk about it at a later date once we know their situation in terms of how much they made on the upcoming show. Cap and Bells is also a unique situation. We give them startup funds, but they charge for all of their performances. CC’s agreement with Cap and Bells is that if they do that, they finance themselves. We can talk about what we want to do about Cap and Bells potential debt. We can let them go into debt and they’ll pay it back next year, or we can pay it off, even though they don’t at times follow the bylaws.
        • Ben: How are they able to charge for ticket sales, and still come back for funding?
          o Emily D: Normally they don’t. They are usually self-sustaining.
    o Motion to Approve Budgets as a slate: Erica
      ▪ Absent: 0
      ▪ Second: Abigale
      ▪ Result: 23 – 0 – 0
        • Yes:
        • No:
        • Abstain:
  o CCCT Update
    o Matt: Live tweet meetings
      ▪ Jess: Not crazy about that idea. Seems that we are not giving it our full attention.
      ▪ April: Would it be what people are saying? Not crazy about that. But could be cool to tweet what we are going to talk about.
• Emily D: Could be good to show a more human side of CC
  o Stefan: Don’t really see the point. The minutes are getting published anyway.
  o Teddy: Another way to convince students to take part in CC. Could be a way for us to get real time opinions.
• Kate: Worry about the burden on the student who would be tweeting. Seems distracting. Maybe the record could tweet our meetings.
• Emily N: Like the idea of letting people know what is coming up
• April: Can often be sensitive issues. Twitter would muddle that in an unproductive way.
• Erica: Benefit of live tweeting is more relevant to student body. That said, difficulties with what we choose to tweet. But think there is a way to do it in a tasteful and limited way.
  o Thinks CC should elect the person who does the live tweeting.
    ▪ Laura: I wasn’t really thinking live tweeting when I set it up. No other campuses live tweet their meetings. It would be really hard to live tweet.
    ▪ Emily N: Concerned about having the Record tweet.
    ▪ Ben: The only tweets that would could get us more attention are the ones that would be problematic.
    ▪ Straw poll: Should CC continue looking into tweeting?
      • Most not in favor
    ▪ Tweet announcements but don’t live tweet
• SOC Update
  o Teddy: Converging Worlds club – connect Williams students to most marginalized members of society. Brings together students to write letters to prisoners. Run by Bilal from OSL. Security measures have been put in place. Deal with people who are not in for high level crimes.
  o Ben: Do they deal with white collar criminals?
    ▪ Teddy: Not necessarily only
  o Kate: How many students are currently working with students?
    ▪ Teddy: Not sure but lot of interest – well attended first meeting
  o Gia: What were the benefits?
    ▪ April: Reconnect Williams students with those who are marginalized. Create empathy.
    ▪ Gia: Just want to make sure that it is mutually beneficial.
      • April: It will be.
  o Jess: Just wanted to reiterate security measures.
  o Teddy: SOC recommended it.
• Motion to Approve Converging Worlds: Emily D
  • Absent: 0
  • Second: Jesus
  • Result: 22 – 0 - 1
    o Yes:
    o No:
    o Abstain: 1
  o Teddy: Working on getting all students to get their group information on the groups section of calendar.williams.edu. Thinking of whether we should hire a student group to do this.
    ▪ Erica: This is how all events get on the social calendar.
  o Teddy: Also an issue with where to store stuff for student groups on campus. High potential for things to get lost.
  o Teddy: Also working on rides listserv.

• Great Ideas Update
  o Rani: Some cool new events/success
    ▪ Looking a low cost to no cost solutions/finishing up projects
    ▪ Shannon, Clyde, and Stefan are working on driving ListServ
    ▪ Shannon is working on printers
    ▪ David: Should do the bracelets again – should have a campaign/events with it
      • Gia: Were also in conjunction with You’re Not Alone (which happened – could be done with fall semester You’re Not Alone)
      • Emily N: Could be connected with Community Matters
    ▪ David: CC should work to compile an official guide to Williams – anonymously submit submissions to booklet that will be passed done through generations – not censored by administration
      • Adrian: Like all campus entry book
      • Emily C: Make sure to balance across all realms at Williams
  ▪ David: How to encourage participation?
    • Laura: I’ll set it up
    • Stefan: Don’t think we need incentives – people will want to do it anyway
    • Gia: Could incorporate in senior week
    • Louisa: Could prompt students with questions
  ▪ Straw Poll of Unofficial Guide to Williams: all support
  ▪ Straw Poll on Bracelets: Support

• Food Sustainability at Williams College
  o Max: Quick recap of where we ended up last time, and where we stand right now. We are looking at two different resolutions. The first resolution is from Real Food Williams – it’s a long term effort to redefine how we purchase food at
its best. All proposing supporting an app that will better connect dining halls with growers.

- Adrian: Please think of them as different resolutions that accomplish the same goal from two different angles.

- Jacob (Real Food): We are asking CC to ask the administration to sign the Real Food commitment. Resolution starts by determining where Williams is now. Definition of what Real Food is (more than just local food). Also includes how partaking in Real Food fulfills colleges role of encouraging students civic virtues. Real Food is not just a one time thing. It is a long term project. Hope to meet stated goal of 20% real food in 2020.
  - Jacob: Obviously good goals, but why should we do it with Real Food in particular. Several concrete benefits: better food in dining halls, institutionalize values as meaningful (important that extends beyond just one class), brings us into national network that we can collaborate with (plenty of schools have signed on, and it will only grow from there – founder is Williams alum), recognition of college wide commitment – will give college national status as a leader (Williams can’t just rest on our laurels – though doing a good job, focusing too much on local), opportunities for student leadership and application of our liberal arts education to real world problems (very educational experience)
  - Jacob: We feel very strongly about this, feel CC should as well

- Samir (Local Cycle): Building a system that will connect farmers directly with Williams College. Increase the potential for Williams to purchase from local cycles. Potential to increase the amount we buy if we have a better system. We’ve been meeting with campus and dining leaders. Our solution is a short term means I’ve achieving the goal of tastier, local food.

- Samir: Asking CC to support the broad initiative of Dining Service’s expanding local food options, and supporting the application that Local cycle is developing

- Teddy: Why are the numbers different?
  - Jacob: Local and Real Food aren’t the same thing. Can be real food without being local, or local food without being real. Right now Dining focuses mostly on local, though we are hoping they will move beyond that to Real Food. Though local food is very important.

- Teddy: Why different resolutions?
  - Max: We should look to empower students to talk to the administration. And two different solutions have been presented. Having two resolutions will increase the power of the student groups.

- David: Has trouble with the manner in which Real Food defines Real Food. Thinks Real Food will be too expensive. Too much regulatory compliance. Can support real food without supporting their version of Real Food.
• Ben: We all agree we want better food. Why is Real Food better than unique Williams approach? Why is better to be part of seven year framework that we don’t control.
  • Jacob: Once you sign the agreement, the implementation process is controlled by the Williams community (the implementation group would be Williams students/faculty/staff). Just thinking about local isn’t enough. Also, there really is no other proposal.
  o Emily N: Definite student demand. We need to respect student desires on CC. Thinks implementation could be good because more student jobs.
  o Kate F: It’s really just coincidence that these came to us at the same time. Completely different. But do what extent have you already talked with dining services? Is it something they can do if students are interested?
    • Jacob: Bob Volpi excited – wants to adopt standards. Thinks implementation group will be able to figure out budgeting. Most of the reason to not sign is political.
  o Jess: Don’t think the organic is the sole form of Real Food.
    • Erin: There is judgment in terms of what is Real Food.
  o Stefan: Don’t like the idea of more bureaucracy nor the idea of forcing college to standards.
    • Jacob: It’s signing on to movement, not some top down dictatorial approach.
    • Kate: Not saying Real Food can do what ever it wants. Just saying the College agrees with the values of the Real Food organization. College will be able to make up it’s independent mine.
  • Motion to Approve Samir and Kaison’s resolution: Emily D
    • Absent: 0
    • Second: Kate
    • Result: 22 – 0 - 1
      o Yes: 22
      o No:
      o Abstain: 1
  • Rani: Important to think about Real food in relation to student groups. This is a student group who is coming to us with this, and as it is part of CC’s goal to help student groups, we should keep that in mind.
  • Jess: CC has the opportunity to really advocate for the desire of it’s students. This is something that students want.
  • Motion to Approve Real Food Resolution: Jess
    • Motion to Call Vote to Vote: David
      o Absent: 0
      o Second: Teddy
      • Result: 17 – 5 – 1
        • Yes: 17
- No: 5
- Abstain: 1

- Absent: 0
- Second: Rani
- Result: 15 – 4 - 4
  - Yes: 15
  - No: 4
  - Abstain: 4

• ACE Concerts Presentation
  - Adrian: Presented history of concert funding process. Normally concerts get funded in the Spring. FinCom will come back with a recommendation next week.
    - Emily D: Want alternative proposals about homecoming budget – right now very pricy
  - ACE: Broke down current budget – standard artist fee, everything that we would need to throw an in Towne concert. Costs about $25,000 more than artists fee for concert. Moving to Towne because Macklemore sold out so first. Though not sure that we’ll be there next year – if popular, we probably should. Can always move it to Lasell – better to overestimate though.
  - ACE: Current proposal – GrooveBoston in the fall (approx. $20,000 – we’ve been building a relationship with them for a while), Spring Fling concert (approx. $60,000 – would mean artist fee of around $35,000 - $40,000). If reducing anything, should probably be GrooveBoston). The sooner we get the budget, the earlier we can make deals and get a better buy for our price range. Having all the money for the Spring Fling concert already in the picture allows us to avoid price increases (really good to be able to do this ahead of time). Could also use any additional funding to throw smaller concerts throughout the year. Work with people who come with requests.
    - ACE: Ideally tickets would be free. We had them this year because we needed all the money to cover the cost of the Macklemore concert. Probably will have to sell tickets for some amount, but goal is no more than $15.
    - Kate: If we cut the money for the Homecoming concert, could it be allocated in the fall?
      - ACE: Think so. Though could be a problem if specifically want GrooveBoston as they are becoming more popular.
    - Kate: What money is needed to begin negotiations, and what could be allocated later on?
      - ACE: For sure the Agency and Artist Fee, and possibly tech, but not positive.
    - Emily C: Does current approx. $65,000 account for charging for tickets.
      - Emily D: No – would reduce if we told tickets.
Emily C: Why wouldn’t we allocate the money now?
  • Emily D: We don’t technically have the money yet. Voting on something that would effect a future council. But would be very beneficial.

April: We should just do it all now. Thinks it is a really good idea to shift from Homecoming concert to Homecoming party.

Max: Council should think about how Macklemore ended up this year (useful in getting other funding because we knew who was performing). The reason it was successful was because we knew who we were getting.

ACE: Actually, we may have to allocate everything at once, uncomfortable about allocating anything in the fall.

David: We need to account for ticket fees. It is a waste of money.
  • ACE: Agree that it can be considered.

Kate: If we pay for it all now, then there is no incentive for outside funding sources. We can pay for whatever we need, but no need to fund more than we have to right away because we want other sources to fund as well.
  • ACE: That makes sense. But the neighborhood situation is kind of weird right now. But we’ll look into what we need and what we don’t need.

Emily N: We have an obligation to not charge students so much for tickets. $15 dollars is too much. Maybe looking for smaller artist would help us better subsidize tickets. We should also look at how money being spent on the concert would harm other student performances. What does giving this amount of money say about what we enjoy in student programming?
  • Emily C: Difficult to gauge who we would get for artist fee, and whether that is a worthwhile investment.

Emily D: One thing we really need to discuss is ticket prices. The possibility of this happening hinges on how much we will be charging for tickets. Will we be able to increase funding to ACE considering the fiscal difficulties now? Also, please look at other sources of funding, just like Macklemore. See Emily N’s point about smaller concerts but a lot of them have failed. Thinks the only successful way to do concerts is big concerts at Towne. Thinks there is the pride for band name recognition.
  • ACE: Just talked to Ben and need all funding before we start negotiations. As long as we can say in good faith that we can expect the money from somewhere.

ACE: Important to realize students served at small costs vs students served at big concerts.
Teddy: How is ACE budget different than ACE Concerts funding?
  • Emily D: ACE Concerts and ACE are separate in terms of how they are funded.
Teddy: Thinks it is a good idea to sell tickets to give negotiations some leeway
Kate: Think ACE and ACE Concerts at the same thing. It is giving big budget to one organization. Does ticket money go back to CC, or does it go to ACE?
  • Emily D: It goes to CC
Laura: One thing we haven’t talked about is distinction between small and large artists in terms of artist potential. Maybe try and get artist who will be large?
Emily N: Have CC think about what it means to be financially responsible. Big concert like Macklemore costs twice as much as small concert per attendee. Really think about how this effects student groups.
  • Ben: Fundamental difference in experience. We need to look at how much is actually being set per student. Is there even a point to ticket sales.
David: Why is GrooveBoston at Homecoming? What about Winter Carnival?
  • Emily D: Not really fiscally responsible.
Emily C: We need to think about people who aren’t at big concerts. Would rather have concert that everyone who wants to can attend, as opposed to big concert, where those want to attend but they can’t. That should be the number one thing that we think about (especially of fiscal situation is serving to exclude people).
Adrian: Nothing should be completely off the table right now. Thanks so much to ACE for coming this early on. Allows us to better forecast into the future. Will continue this conversation next week.

• Honor Committee
  • Kate: Changing process of electing rising seniors to Honor and Discipline Committee. Resolution says it is good to have students on there, increased burden on members of the committee, need structural changes to election protocol, the elections are overseen by CC
  • Kate: If we wait to the fall to elect the rising seniors, then over the summer, Dean Bolton, and outgoing student chair try and guess who will be elected in order to try and determine who the student chair will be. Puts committee in weird state of flux. Doesn’t make sense. Doing it earlier allows more time to pass on knowledge and makes the summer
more structured. Also allows us to hold Honor workshops/talks during First Days because there will be individuals who have the authority

- Kate: So current solution is elect rising seniors in Spring, and the rest in the Fall
  - Kate: Continue conversations to consider increasing students on committee as needed. Depends on if increase of honor code cases is going to continue.

- April: Why only seniors? Why not all except the frosh?
  - Kate: Transfers. Also an unfair burden on seniors if unexpected because it is a serious time commitment. Rising seniors are more informed about making an earlier decision. Also, we only really need the rising seniors.

- Erica: Will this negatively effect rising seniors who are abroad in the Spring?
  - Kate: No, they could still do it. It happens now. Don’t really see any negative impact.

- Rani: Could it be coincided with electing ACE Presidents? Less of hassle with voting?
  - Kate: Possibility – up to future councils

- Ben: Why doesn’t CC Campus consider who is student chair?
  - Kate: CC Campus doesn’t really do anything with it – we just
  - Motion to Approve Resolution to Support Elections: Laura
    - Absent: 0
    - Second: April
    - Result: 23 – 0 - 0
      - Yes:
      - No:
      - Abstain:

  - Opinions@WSO
    - Discussed